

Appendix D

Report on the consultation with Pupils of Ysgol Clocaenog and Ysgol Cyffylliog.

1.0 Introduction

1.1 The School Organisation Code requires Denbighshire County Council (the proposers) to make suitable arrangements to consult with the pupils of any school which is affected by school organisation proposals.

1.2 The code says that consultation must include consultation with the school councils of schools which are affected and should also include consultation with individual pupils where this is appropriate and practicable.

1.3 The requirement has been set in respect of Article 12 of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC) which states that children and young people have a right to have their views and opinions heard and listened to in decisions made by adults which affect their lives.

2.0 Method of Consultation

2.1 Denbighshire County Council published a separate Children's version of the Formal Consultation Document. A copy of this report can be found in Appendix D (a) at the end of this report. Copies of the children's document were provided to children of both schools.

2.2 Meetings were arranged by Denbighshire County Council Learner Voice Champion with both school councils. The meeting with the School Council of Ysgol Clocaenog took place on the 4th of October 2013 and the meeting with the School Council of Ysgol Cyffylliog took place on the 10th of October 2013.

3.0 Consultation Response

3.1 The response of meetings with the school councils and the response from the pupils who submitted separate responses are included in part 4. The issues raised by pupils who submitted a separate response have been incorporated into their school council response to ensure anonymity.

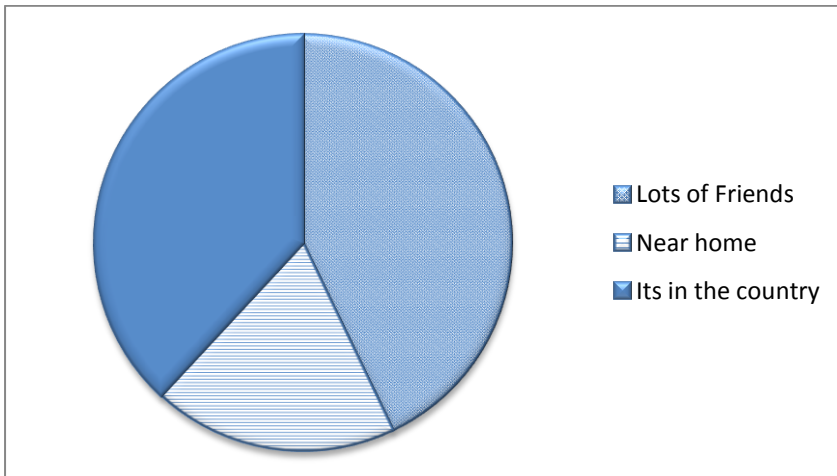
3.2 Each meeting focused on similar elements:

- What they like about their school?
- Distance to school
- Language
- Siblings at the school
- Opinion of the proposal
- What would be good?
- What would be a worry?
- What they would like in a new school?
- Hopes and Fears

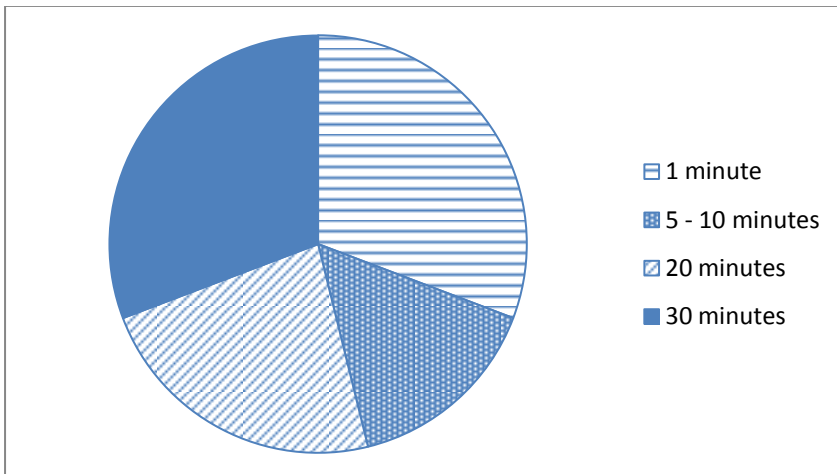
3.3 A pupil version of this document can be found in appendix D (b).

4.0 Response from the pupils of Ysgol Clocaenog

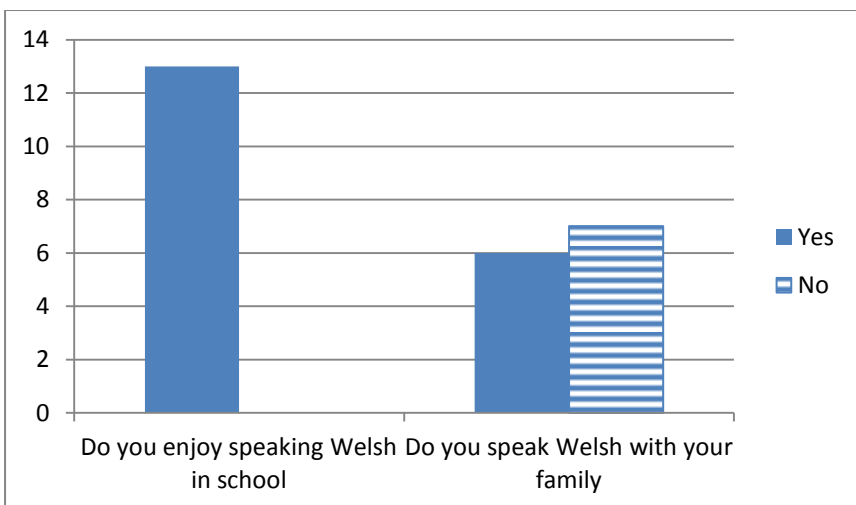
4.1 What do you like about school?



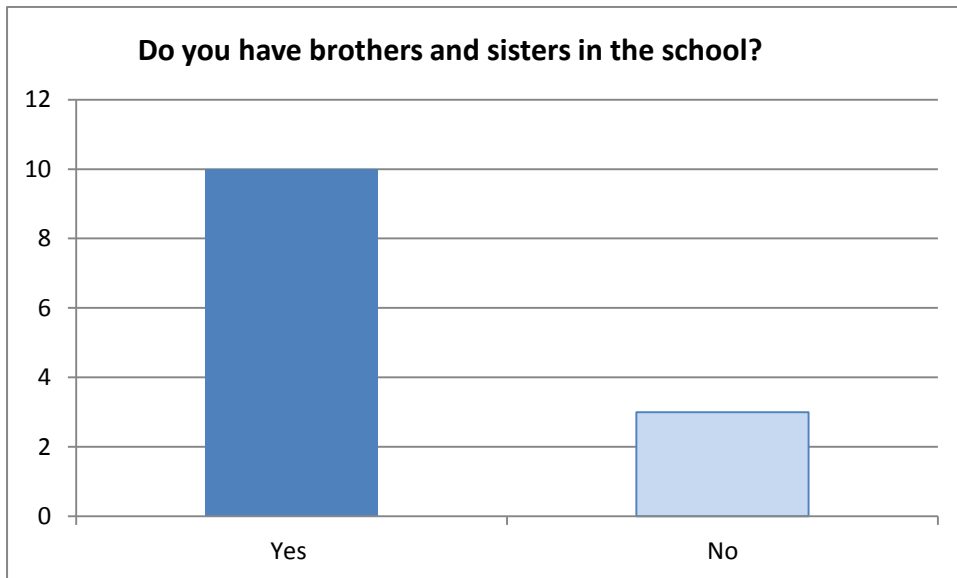
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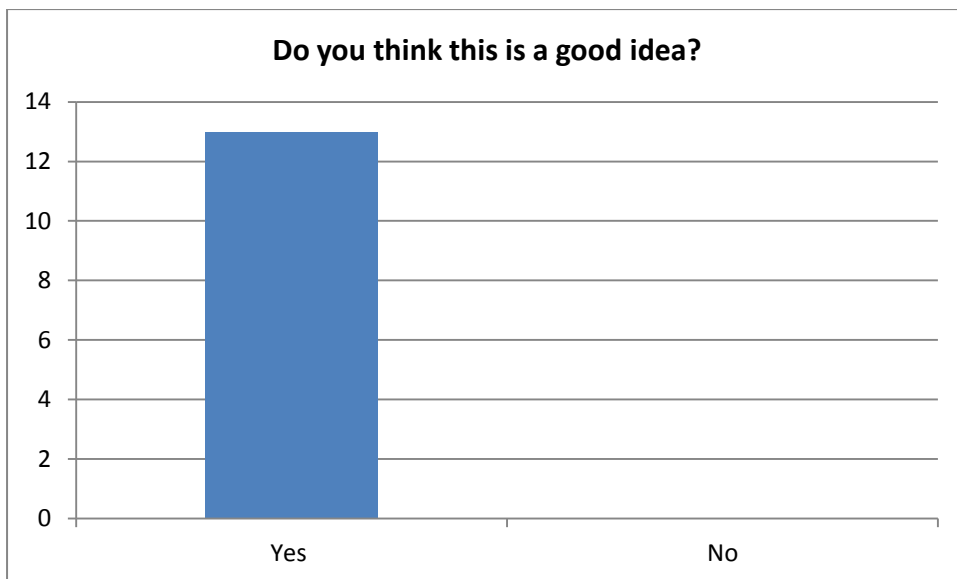
4.3 Use of Welsh Language



4.4 Siblings at the school



4.5 Opinion on the proposal



4.6 What would be good about having a joined school?

- They can see the pet snail (Gary)
- More friends
- More space for football
- More boys in year 3
- More room
- We already have friends in Cyffylliog (7 pupils)

4.7 Are there any worries you have about the plan?

No

4.8 What would you like to have if your school joined with Cyffylliog?

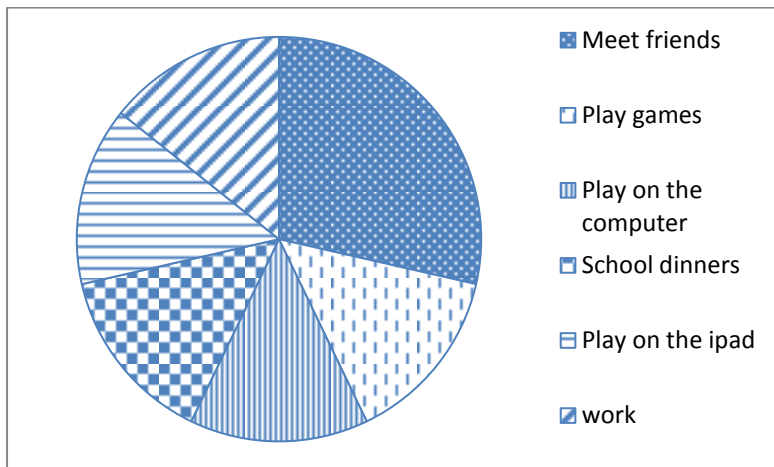
- Playhouse outside but joined to the building (don't get wet in the rain)
- More toys
- Football pitch that is flat and separate from the little children
- Swimming pool
- Play area inside
- More books
- Everything in one area (no cabin)
- More computers
- iPADS
- Bigger playing field

4.9 Hopes and Fears

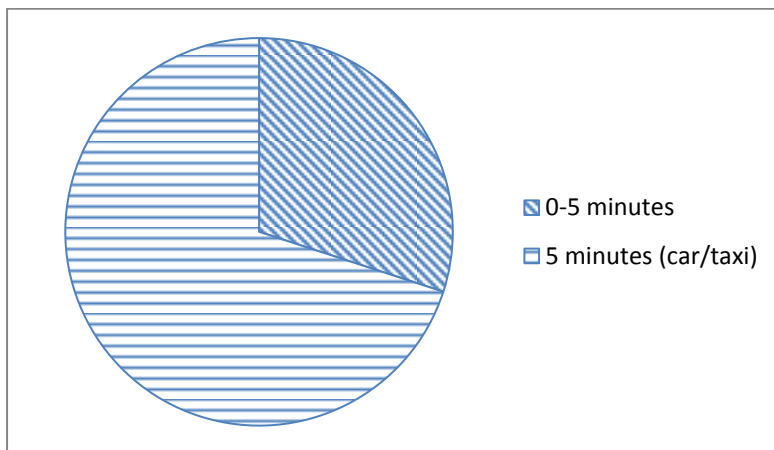
Hopes	Fears
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>More room</i> • <i>Place to play football</i> • <i>Astro-turf with a metal roof</i> • <i>More class rooms</i> • <i>More space</i> • <i>Couch</i> • <i>Playing field (2 pupils)</i> • <i>Football goal</i> • <i>I want to close the school</i> • <i>Want more toys</i> • <i>A bigger playing area</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Long drive</i> • <i>Miss their brothers and sisters (3 Pupils)</i> • <i>What is going to happen to the school?</i> • <i>Loss of their class teacher</i> • <i>Don't want rubber flooring as it makes my hands dirty</i>

5.0 Response from the pupils of Ysgol Cyffylliog

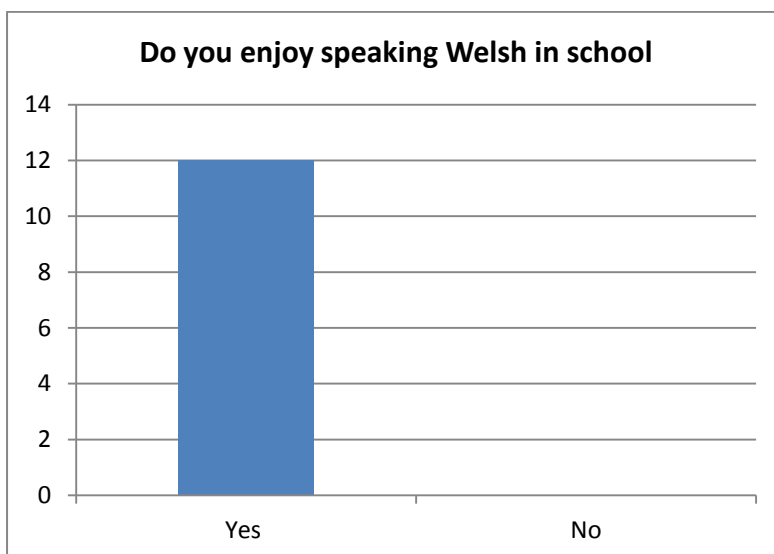
5.1 What do you like about school?

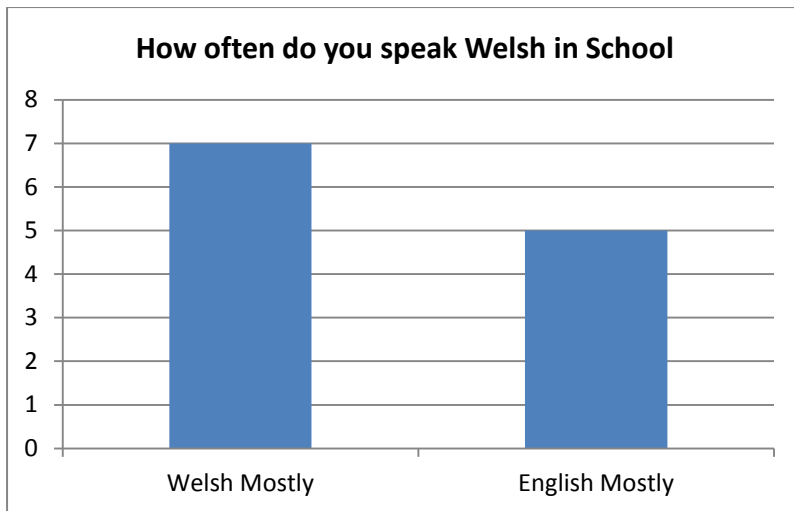


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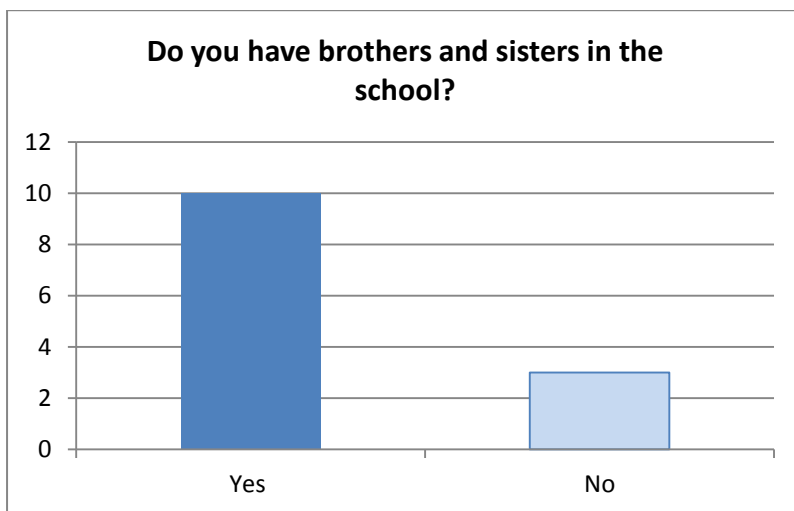


5.3 Use of Welsh Language

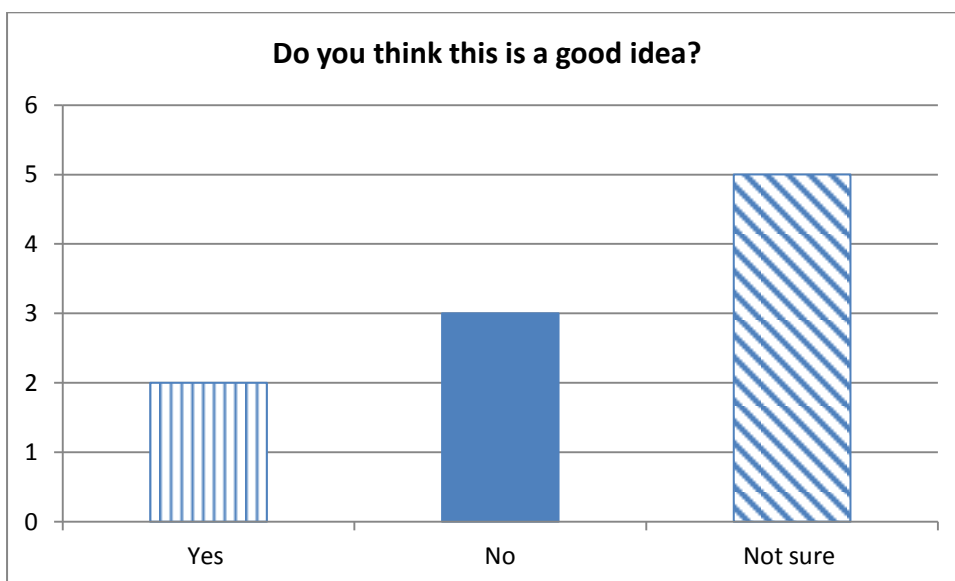




5.4 Siblings at the school



5.5 Opinion on the proposal



5.6 What would be good about having a joined school?

- New friends
- Different games to play

5.7 Are there any worries you have about the plan?

- Hurting/Upsetting people
- School Closing
- Might not stay together in class
- Might hurt my brother

5.8 What would you like to have if your school joined with Clocaenog?

- A lot of toys
- A rollercoaster (2 Pupils)
- A waterslide
- A climbing frame
- A slide
- A ball
- Monkey Bars
- A giant playground
- Bouncy Castle
- A hamster

5.9 Is there anything you want to change in your school?

- The chairs
- Better school dinners
- To have separate sciences
- A climbing frame
- More art and craft – 4
- Monkey bars
- A better anti-virus programme
- Talking computers
- Everything talking
- 3D printer

5.10 Hopes and Fears

Hopes	Fears
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bouncy Castle • New Pencils • New Class • New friends (3 pupils) • Talking computers • Pet for the school (2 pupils) • Go home after dinner • Roller coaster • Trampoline • Good food • More pudding • Climbing frame (2 pupils) • Bigger playground • Play games (2 pupils) • Monkey bars (2 pupils) • 3D printer • 1 really bouncy ball each. • 3D computer • 3D white board • A reptile room • Service robots • English people • Better teachers • More fun • More play sessions • TV • English teachers • More toys • English lessons • Bigger school • School doctors • More pupils in school • Do craft • A robot spinosaurus • More work • Bigger yard • Stay in school longer • More games • More art • Sit on big chairs • Better computer 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Different uniform • English School • Nasty teachers • Fall off the climbing frame • Going to a new school • No chips • No afterschool club • Bad food • Hurting/Upset • Too much work • Smaller school • Bullies (3 pupils) • Our school closing • It will take longer to get home • It might be dark by the time I get home • Really hard work • I don't want it to happen • Lots of work • I really don't want our school to close